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TO AN ORDER OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS, dated January 27th, 1913, for a Return showing the amount of the subsidy paid to each of the four original provinces of the Dominion at Confederation, and the population on which such payment was based; the subsidy payable to each of the remaining five provinces on entering the Union, and the population on which such payment was based; the sum added to the subsidy of any province as better terms, and the date when such addition was made, respectively; the details of each readjustment of subsidies since 1867, and the yearly subsidy at present payable to each province with the population on which such payment is based, and the original debt allowance, if any, respectively, placed to the credit of each province on entering the union.

LOUIS CODERRE,

Secretary of State.

1.—Amount of subsidy paid to each of the four original provinces.

Ontario.—\$1,196,872.80; population, 1,396,091, census 1861.

Quebec.—\$959,252.80; population, 1,111,566, census 1861.

Between 1867 and 1873, under British North America Act, 1867, section 112, there was deducted from the above subsidies interest on the excess of debt (the capital of this excess of debt rising in amount at the passing of the relieving Act 1873 to \$10,506,988.84) and repayment of these deductions formed the basis of the increase of the subsidies under 47 v.c. 4, 1884.

Nova Scotia.—\$324,685.60; population, 330,857, census 1861. \$82,698; special allowance for 10 years. \$42,185.21; interest on debt allowance.

The province received as a debt allowance credit for \$8,000,000 under the British North America Act 1867, sec., 114, and a further sum of \$1,186,756 under the Act of 1869, and a still further sum of \$199,490 under the Acts of 1873 and 1874. These sums were applied to offset the province debt and are now reduced to a capital sum of \$262,560.41, yielding an interest of \$13,128.02, and this latter sum forms part of the subsidy now paid.

New Brunswick.—\$251,637.60; population 252,047, census 1861; \$63,000; special allowance for 10 years.

The province received as a debt allowance credit for \$7,000,000 under the British North America Act 1867, section 115. This sum was almost entirely absorbed in payment of existing debts and practically no payments of interest were made by way of subsidy in the early years.

2. Subsidy paid to each of the other provinces upon entering the union.

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Manitoba.—\$43,600; population 17,000, estimated 1870. \$23,604.50; 5 per cent on \$472,090 debt allowance.

The province not being in debt was paid this amount of interest on the capital sum of \$472,090 under the Union Act of 1870, and also the interest on the additional capital sum of \$79,357 under the Act of 1873, in varying and diminishing amounts from time to time as the principal was applied in the payment of province liabilities, until, in 1889, the capital of these two sums became reduced to \$87,755.90, yielding a yearly sum of interest of \$4,387.80 and this latter amount remains a permanent increase to and forms part of the annual subsidy now paid.

British Columbia.—\$183,000; population 60,000, estimated 1871. \$24,995.67; 5 per cent on \$499,913.52 debt allowance.

The province received a debt allowance of \$1,666,200 under the Act of 1871 and a further sum of \$280,084 under the Act of 1873. These amounts were applied against the province debts and the varying sums of interest paid on the balances became finally reduced to 5 per cent on the capital of \$499,913.52 and the interest on this sum remains a permanent increase to and forms part of the annually subsidy now paid.

Prince Edward Island.—\$150,216.80; population 94,021, census 1871. \$130,624.59, interest on debt allowance.

The province received as a debt allowance credit for \$4,701,050 under the Imperial Order in Council of 26th June, 1873, which was applied in the reduction of the province debt and this together with \$182,973.78, allowed under the Act of 1884, was finally reduced to a principle of \$775,791.83, yielding an interest sum of \$38,789.58; but this latter sum is offset by a contra charge of \$39,120.10 which is the interest on \$782,402.33 the balance of the land account, thus resulting in an actual reduction of \$330.52 to the sums forming part of the annual subsidies now being paid.

Saskatchewan.—\$1,030,375; population 250,000, estimated 1905. \$93,750; additional for 5 years.

Alberta.—\$1,030,375; population 250,000, estimated 1905. \$93,750; additional for 5 years.

3.—Sums added to the subsidy of any province as *better terms*.

Ontario.—

\$142,414 48 47 v.c. 4, 1884.

789,484 90 B.N.A. Act 1907.

267,657 30 Census 1911.

\$1,199,556 48

50 40 Less for readjustment of 1911 Census.

\$1,199,506 08 Total.

Quebec.—

\$127,460 68 47 v.c. 4, 1884.

599,865.60 B.N.A. Act 1907.

285,125 60 Census 1911.

\$1,012,451 88

2,074 40 Less for readjustment of 1911 Census.

\$1,010,377 48 Total.

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Nova Scotia.—

\$82,698 00 32 v.c. 2, 1869, Temporary allowance for 10 years from July 1, 1867.

45,554 40 Census 1871.

13,128 02 36 v.c. 30, 1873.

9,760 00 Census 1881.

39,668 44 47 v.c. 4, 1884.

177,659 20 B.N.A. Act 1907.

26,212 00 Census 1911.

\$311,982 06

80 Less for adjustment of 1911 Census.

\$311,981 26 Total.

New Brunswick.—

\$26,837 60 Census 1871.

150,000 00 36 v.c. 41 s. 1, 1873.

28,511 30 Census 1881.

26,464 96 47 v.c. 4, 1884.

24 00 Census 1891.

137,885 60 B.N.A. Act 1907.

16,614 40 Census 1911.

\$386,337 76

80 Add for readjustment of 1911 Census.

\$386,338 56 Total.

Manitoba.—

\$26,746 96 Temporary allowance 1st July, 1875 to 31st December, 1881.

15,653 04 Temporary allowance 1st July, 1879, to 31st December, 1881.

4,387 80 33 v.c. 3, 1870.

171,400 00 45 v.c. 5, 1882.

5,541 25 47 v.c. 4, 1884.

210,666 69 48-49 v.c. 50, 1885.

2,004 80 Census 1891.

29,995 20 Estimated population 1894.

2,740 00 Census 1896.

13,351 32 61 v.c. 4, 1898.

49,428 80 Census 1901.

75,831 20 Estimated population 1904.

12,550 40 Census 1906.

130,000 00 B.N.A. Act 1907.

86,749 60 Estimated population 1909.

4,604 80 Less for adjustment Census 1911.

\$790,042 26

617,114 88 2 Geo. 5, c. 42, 1912.

\$1,407,157 14 Total.

British Columbia.—

\$4,155 39 47 v.c. 4, 1884.
 30,538 40 Census 1891.
 64,387 20 Census 1901.
 215,000 00 B.N.A. Act 1907.
 191,704 00 Census 1911.

\$505,784 99

9,345 40 Add for adjustment of Census 1911.

\$515,139 39 Total.

Prince Edward Island.—

\$11,925 60 Census 1881.
 20,000 00 50-51 v.c. 8, 1887.
 120 00 Census 1891.
 30,000 00 1 Ed. 7, c. 3, 1901.
 70,000 00 1 Ed. 7, c. 3, 1907.
 100,000 00 2 Geo. 5, c. 42, 1912.

\$232,045 60

330 52 Less for balance of interest on Land account.

231,715 08 Total.

Saskatchewan.—

\$6,210 40 Census 1906.
 130,000 00 B.N.A. Act 1907.
 63,389 60 Census estimated 1909.
 318,214 60 Census 1911.

\$517,813 60

3,632 00 Add for adjustment of 1911 Census.

\$521,445 60 Total.

Alberta.—

\$130,000 00 B.N.A. Act 1907.
 12,693 60 Estimated census 1909.
 87,653 60 Census 1911.

\$230,347 20

616 80 Less for adjustment of 1911 Censcs.

\$299,730 40 Total.

4. Details of each readjustment of subsidies since 1867.

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5. Present subsidies.

		Population.	Census.
Ontario..	\$2,396,378 88	2,523,274	1911
Quebec..	1,969,630 28	2,002,712	1911
Nova Scotia	636,666 86	492,338	1911
New Brunswick	637,976 16	351,889	1911
Manitoba....	1,450,757 14	461,630	1911
British Columbia.	723,135 06	392,480	1911
Prince Edward Island.. . . .	381,931 88	109,078	1891
Saskatchewan..	1,548 188 60	492,432	1911
Alberta..	1,260,722 20	374,663	1911

6.—Original debt allowance credited to each province.

Ontario and Quebec, conjointly ..	\$62,500,000	B.N.A. Act, 1867.
Nova Scotia	8,000,000	"
New Brunswick..	7,000,000	"
Manitoba..	472,090 33	v.c. 3, 1870.
British Columbia	1,666,200	O.C. Windsor, May 16, 1871.
Prince Edward Island	4,701,050	O.C. Windsor, June 26, 1873.
Alberta	8,107,500 4-5	Ed. 7, c. 3, 1905.
Saskatchewan	8,107,500 4-5	Ed. 7, c. 42, 1905.

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